

REMARKS

Claims 2-5 are all the claims pending in the application. Previously claims 6-13 were, and currently claim 1 now is, canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner rejected claims 1-5 under §112, 2nd paragraph, as indefinite. Specifically, the Examiner asserted that the phrase “type” makes the claims indefinite. Accordingly, Applicants have removed this phrase from the claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 2 and 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form and so as to overcome the rejection under §112. Accordingly, because claim 2 has been rewritten in independent form and the §112 rejection has been overcome, these claims should now be in condition for allowance. Additionally, claims 4 and 5 have been made to depend from claim 2 and, therefore, should also be in condition for immediate allowance.

Conclusion

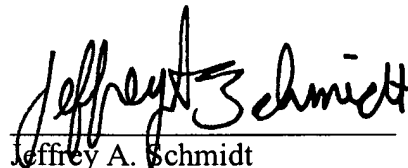
In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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